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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Monthly Exchange of Ideas, Technical Advances, and
Future Plans: AMSAA and INSCOM GRILL FLAME Personnel
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1. (U) On 6 June 1979, the monthly meeting between AMSAA and INSCOM GRILL FLAME personnel took place at AMSAA HQS, Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland. The following personnel were in attendance:

MAJ Watt, Project Manager, INSCOM
1LT Atwater, Assistant Project Manager, INSCOM
Lynne Taylor, Project Manager, AMSAA
Two other members of AMSAA GRILL FLAME Staff

2. (S) We updated AMSAA personnel on the status of our training program, including preliminary report concerning training taking place at SRI. We discussed in some detail the "training sessions" being conducted involving Dr. LaBerge to include problems encountered and how to handle said problems. Everyone concurs that sessions with Dr. LaBerge can be meaningful; however, we have to insure that Dr. LaBerge and others from DA fully understand the problems encountered in Remote Viewing (RV) and the role that the "beacon" plays during RV sessions.

3. (S) In early May 1979, AMSAA had distributed several draft proposals concerning various aspects of their projected in-house program. All DOD representatives to the GRILL FLAME Committee were asked to provide comments/recommendations to AMSAA concerning the proposals. We used a portion of the day's meeting to discuss our comments. Major points discussed are covered below:

a. GRILL FLAME Classification Guide: No discussion on this subject since we had already provided a response via message and AMSAA had no questions concerning our input.

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b. We felt that even though the concept of target beacon is relatively cumbersome and is manpower intensive compared with coordinate RV that the technique is still necessary to develop and is easier to initially accept. John Kramar, AMSAA, does not agree with our viewpoint.

c. AMSAA felt (John Kramar) that the general nature of targets in the Aberdeen Area do not lend themselves to being good targets for uncontroversial RV demonstration. We proposed that perhaps the cause might be the process used to select the targets rather than the targets themselves. Mr. Kramar seems to be of the view that, at all costs, the targets must be isolated and free from any possibility that the RVer had any target knowledge beforehand. NOTE: This means that the target cannot have been contaminated by prior exposure to the RVer even if that exposure took place weeks, months, etc. ago.

d. We recommended that the target package they proposed to provide to the RVer for feedback include more data than just a photograph. Package should include all written data known about the target, to include, if appropriate, intelligence from other intelligence sources, i.e. HUMINT, SIGINT. We commented that photo feedback only provides the RVer with visual perspective and neglects the other senses.

e. We felt that several of the proposals concerning target selection would create an artificial situation and lead to some type of funneling regarding target selection. We discussed, in some detail, these points and AMSAA will examine each of them.

f. We pointed out that after all was said and done, their proposals still did not define what they meant by "success" as regards a remote viewing session. Lynne Taylor agreed and stated that such a statement would be included when they rewrite their proposals.

4. (U) AMSAA will be rewriting their proposals and hopefully they will receive input from other DOD Agencies prior to doing additional work. Hopefully, our comments will help them overcome some problem areas.

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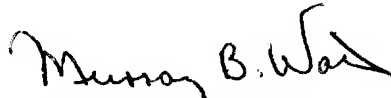
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5. (U) I did have the opportunity to meet with John Kramar, AMSAA Project Officer on GRILL FLAME, later in the afternoon. As mentioned previously, he did not agree with all our proposals but appreciated the fact that we had studied their material.

6. (S) An interesting aspect of AMSAA's future plans is that in order to establish the existence or non-existence of a form of psychic phenomena known as Remote Viewing they will only use a technique of RV that involves the use of Grid Coordinates. NOTE: This concerns me because I'm not sure they have personnel trained in such a technique and, more importantly, they are ignoring the beacon technique which seems to be easier to accomplish and yet still would establish the stated objective.

7. (U) No time was set for the next meeting, but it will be after the next DOD GRILL FLAME Committee meeting which is scheduled for 12 July 1979.


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